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The pump was

started Monday

WATER morning to replen-

SUPPLY. ish the depleted

reservoir from

which most of the town gets its water supply. This makes necessary greater precaution in the use of the water for drinking and cooking purposes. The water in the creek is low and the amount of waste materials flowing into it may be assumed to be nearly the same as at times when its volume is at the maximum, hence its condition now is such as to cause some apprehension as to the safety of using it.

It is beyond all doubt the safer plan to treat it as to remove objectionable substances, which may be done either by filtering or boiling it, the latter being by all odds the safer, so far as removing germs is concerned, and also as a preventive against taking ammonical substances into the system. Since this means of preventing the breaking out of fever or other diseases is within the reach of all the citizens of the town it is their duty to see to it that the water used for drinking and cooking is dealt with in this way.

On March fourth
SENATOR COCKRELL,
of Senator Cockrell,COCKRELL,
Missouri, will end

as a result of the

unexpected transfer of his state from the Democratic to the Republican column in the recent election. His personal integrity, his high character as a legislator and his faithfulness to every trust during his long service in the senate of the United States commend him to President Roosevelt, who gave him his choice of an appointment on the Panama Canal Commission, or the Interstate Commerce Commission to take the place of Judge Yeomans, a Democrat, of Iowa, who has been a member of the commission for twelve years and will retire in March. The former position pays \$12,000 and the latter only \$7,500. He has decided to accept the latter, believing that he can be of more service in that commission, and taking into consideration, no doubt, the climatic conditions to which he would be subjected as a member of the commission which would involve considerable risk to a man of his age. Senator Cockrell will be acceptable to all parties on the Interstate Commission which is likely to have important work to do. He is a senator of a type too rare in that august body and merits the recognition that goes with his new appointment.

The case of U. S.
SMOOT'S
FATE.attention through-
out the states of

the Union. The evidence at the trial shows conclusively that he is not a safe man to occupy a seat in the senate. The Mormon church is inimical to civil government, its influence over its members and particularly its officers is such as to remove from them some of the essential features of good citizens, for they are bound to look upon their allegiance to their church as being superior to and stronger than their allegiance to the government. If the church confined its influence to spiritual matters alone this state of affairs would not be objectionable, but the evidence that has been presented in the trial to the committee has demonstrated to the members of that body, it is said, conclusively that the Mormon church extends its activities into political as well as religious affairs and that the edicts of the hierarchy must be obeyed in all the relations of life. It is claimed that the recommendation of the committee on privileges and elections will be that he be unseated and unless the senate does not concur in the report of the committee, Reed Smoot, senator from Utah, must go, thus denying to that state its constitutional representation in the senate for reasons that seem to be justifiable.

The teachers of the
THADDEUS
STEVENS,
county assembled
here this week at
the annual insti-

tute have been pre-

sented with a copy of the famous

speech of Thaddeus Stevens, delivered

in the house of representatives, April 11, 1865.

The name of Thaddeus Stevens is a familiar one to the student of Pennsylvania's history but there are many who fail to realize the importance attached to this powerful speech, or the opposition then existing to the free-school system. It is related that the friends and foes of the measure were sharply divided that its fate hung in the balance. On the morrow of the fatal day the opponents of the system were jubilant in the belief that they would carry the day. The change at the opening of the session

A bottle of Hamlin's Wizard Oil is a medicine chest in itself; it cures pain in every form. 50 cents at druggists.

BROADBRIM'S BUDGET

Number One Thousand Four Hun-
dred and Thirty-Eight.

THE GIGANTIC FORGERY

Of a Woman Who Used the Name of One
of the Foremost Financiers of His Time
—Caused Fined and Released.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE GAZETTE.

NEW YORK, Dember 20.—Over-
topping and eclipsing every other topic
now before the public is the gigantic
forgery of a woman who used the name
of one of the foremost bankers of his
time and whose name is millions seem
to be inseparable. The matter in
hand is one of the most startling for-
geries that has ever been perpetrated
in the United States and possibly in
the world. The thing that puzzles
and startles the world is how this
woman could possess the millions which
she claimed. She appears to have had
no confederate in her various crimes; she
plays the game of forgery as a
cheat player uses his pawns; every
move that is made on the board is sub-
ject to her individual will; she gives
her command but never asks advice;
she plays with millions as boys play
with marbles or craps in the street.
Her success was so constant and brill-
iant that it seems never to have oc-
curred to her that the day of retribu-
tion must come at last, and now, in
the hour of her direst misery, within
the space of twenty-four hours, pass-
ing from a palace to a prison, she still
follows the golddust which has been
to her a beacon of hope and notwithstanding
her perilous surroundings she
seems to have the most unwavering
faith that all will be clear and bright
in the end. To the man who sits down
quietly to take a clear review of this
is the only words that he can find to
express his astonishment are wonder-
ful, miraculous, and all the other ad-
jectives that go to convey aninder-
able power, but when one comes to the
hard granite facts which we have, and
know to be true, what do we find?
She is a woman 51 years of age, not
particularly attractive, not claiming
the hypnotic power which has been the
ruin of so many foolish women and
equally foolish men; she juggles with
millions, and in reaching for her prey
she does not seek the association of
fools, but goes to the headquarters of
financial success and carries off the
priyate and the money bags of the
dupes whom she has enlisted in
her train. Oberlin, in Ohio, is con-
spicuous for its college; males and
female students are received there and
an army of both sexes has been sent
out as missionaries to the uncivilized
lands of the globe. Earnest workers
were they, carrying the gospel of peace
and the cross on which the Saviour was
crucified, as the emblem of salvation
to the children of men. In this quiet
town a little country bank of small
capital, but sufficient for the mer-
chants and manufacturers of that
town, and it is here that Mrs. Chad-
wick, living in Cleveland, applies for
a loan of six hundred thousand dollars.
The guardian at the bank of the
money of the surrounding country
very properly desires to know the na-
ture of her securities; these securities
are supposed to come from one of the
richest men of ancient or modern times;
those securities represented notes
to the value of many millions and they
appear to have been accepted without
as much investigation as would have
been used in authenticating a loan to
one of their country merchants of five
hundred dollars; when the securities
were questioned the arch-conspirator
was sent for and she, under a solemn
oath, swears that she saw Andrew Car-
ter sign the notes. We have no
desire to add to the misery of the pres-
ident of the Oberlin National bank; he
is rapidly nearing the end of what
promised to be the close of an honor-
able life; we do not question his honest-
ty but we do question his incoven-
tional folly in not using a proper guard
for other people's money which was
entrusted to the care of his bank; the
telephone was at his hand; instead of
trusting the woman's lawyer or the
woman herself, though she had pled
up on the high Washington's account,
he might have summoned Mr. Carnegie himself and received a decla-
ration from the great financier in per-
son that he did not know the woman,
and he had never seen her, and had not
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Point Pick-Eps.
For December 30.—Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fetter on December 12, a fine healthy young daughter. Both mother and babe are acting along finely, and Elmer thinks that he is the father of the babe of fife.

The ladies of the Evangelical church are trying to raise money to help pay the debt against the church. They are soliciting ten cents from every one that feels charitable enough to give and each one that pays ten cents will get their name worked on a quilt, that is being prepared. Any lady that will piece a patch for the quilt is welcome to do so and the same will be thankfully received. The kind of a patch and size can be ascertained by applying to the committee. Misses Nettie Karsner, Nellie Griffith, Pearl Studebaker and Myrtle Blackburn. This more is a good one and it is hoped that everybody approached by the committee will respond liberally and that others who are out of reach of the committee will send in their contributions and names. When the quilt is finished it will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder. The committee have work before them and your article wished them success in their undertaking.

The Evangelical Sabbath school will have their Christmas tree next Sunday morning, which will gladden the hearts of all the scholars.

Joseph Roe will move onto the farm of his father-in-law, Michael H. Deener, in the near future and Ephraim Custer will move onto Mr. Roe's farm.

Mrs. Harry Hall was reported on the sick list last week.

The cold weather is freezing the ice in the small streams to the bottom and is increasing the number of water holes.

Samuel Horn of Altoona, spent a few days last week visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Horn.

Grover Dull, who was so badly cut and bruised by the bursting of a circular saw about a month ago, we are glad to report is able to be out and around again. He will not be crippled in any way.

Napier township is well represented in Bedford this week by the teachers of the township.

HUCER.

From a Near Neighbor.

ANOTHER LESSON FOR PENNSYLVANIA FARMERS.

Farmers throughout Pennsylvania will do well to take warning from the action of the receiver of a DEFUNCT FARMERS' MUTUAL of Somerset county, who has just brought suit against twenty-two farmers for the collector of assessments levied to meet the indebtedness of the insurance company at the time it went into his hands. The county justice gave judgment for the receiver. The total amount of the claims aggregates \$20,000.

As we have often stated before, gentlemen, stock insurance is always cheapest in the long run.—United States Review, September 1, 1904.

After reading the above article one idea will strike a wise and reasonable man. That is to insure in No. 1 Stock Companies which do not compel them to sign a premium note which can be collected by law if necessary. We represent Stock Companies only.

JACOB BREK & SON, Bedford, Pa.

dec23#2.

Did you see the large stock of Golf Gloves at Mrs. Ella Gilchrist's?

The question is, why pay 15 or 25 percent more for a watch than is necessary? Buy it of Dibbaugh and save money.

To the Testers.

For mixed and fine candies of all kinds, go to J. M. Kegg's. Fine goods and low prices.

The place for good goods is at the only exclusive Jewelry Store in town, and we sell them at a saving for you every time.

W. A. DEBRAGG.

Only a few more of the large stock of furs left. We are closing them out at below cost.

Mrs. ELLA GILCHRIST.

GOOD MILK COW for SALE—Will be fresh the last of February. Call on or address, JACOB KRISSEY, 2w Everett, Pa.

Christmas Economy.

Buy where your money goes the farthest, thus giving better presents for the least money. Hundreds of bargains in our store.

W. A. DEBRAGG.

A full line of fine chocolates—Lover's, Hayler's and many other high grade chocolates, chocolate almonds, maple walnuts, ice cream drops, honey drops—everything fine in the chocolate line.

J. M. KEGG.

For Christmas Handkerchiefs you have 500 dozen to select from. Largest stock, lowest price.

Mrs. ELLA GILCHRIST.

We can't begin to enumerate the different articles carried by us that are suitable for Christmas. You will have to come and see.

W. A. DEBRAGG.

The place to save your money.

FOR RENT: Room in Hopewell borough, size 25 x 30. Address

J. E. Williams, Hopewell, Pa.

dec21#2.

We have the finest line of Rogers Silver Plated Knives, Forks, Spoons, Butter dishes, Spoon Holders and Dinner Sets that we have ever had, and a X-Mas Inducement are giving big cut in prices. The housewives who like nice tableware will have a regular picnic at our store from now until Jan. 1st. J. W. RIDGEON.

The Leading Jeweler, Bedford, Pa.

Don't Forget.

That I have a full line of fresh groceries and all kinds of candy—coconut bon bons, cream dates and wafer, buttery dairy drops, etc.—cheap and best in town. My 10 cent candy is the same as that sold in the city at same price.

J. F. BONNER, West Pitt Street

We devote all our time to the Jewelry business; so have been able to assemble the finest lot of Christmas presents in jewelry ever shown in this town.

W. A. DEBRAGG.

Watches.

Our Stock of Watches for the Holiday trade is the best and prettiest we have ever had. We have all the latest designs, both in Gold and Gold Filled in Ladies' and Gent's sizes; and we can give you as good a bargain in a watch as any one can that puts up as good quality.

J. W. RIDGEON.

Jeweler and Optician.

F. M. Catlett, at one time a prominent auctioneer in this section, recently moved to Everett from the south. Mr. Catlett is a professional auctioneer, eminently successful, and is prepared to do work in his line. He makes money for his employers. Secure his services and get satisfaction.

Card of Thanks.

The children of the late Mrs. Phineas Bush sincerely thank their friends for their kindly aid and sympathy in their bereavement.

Lysinger,
Bedford.

Have some
new shoes
in your
home
Christmas
morning—
then watch
eyes dance.
'Twill do
you good.
I'm ready
for you.

Slippers for the old folks.

Warm jackets for mother.

Feats and overalls for father.

Lined gum boots for sister.

Rubber boots for brother.

Top boots for little men.

Dainty shoes for baby.

Leggings for romping girls.

Rubbers for all.

Umbrellas for all.

Presents of
footwear
please the
old,
satisfy the
prudent, and
delight the
young.
I'm ready
for you.

Lysinger,
Bedford.

DIED.

FURTHER.—At the University Hospital, Pittsburgh, on December 14, 1904, Joseph Patti of Sexton, aged 67 years, 5 months and 14 days.

BOOR.—In Main township on December 1, 1904, Mr. M. Boor.

INBERT.—Near Pavia on December 11, 1904, Isaac Dibert, aged 54 years.

IMBERTOWN ITEMS.

IMBERTOWN, December 30.—Lewis Dibert has returned to his position at Pittsburgh. Butchering is the order of the day.

Master Robert and Margaret Harrelle are spending their vacation at A. J. Dibert's in Friend's Cove.

H. F. Russell is spending the holidays with his daughter, Mr. Calvin Stayer, and his wife.

The pupils of the Imbertown school were presented with a fine globe obtained by forming a Larkin Soap club.

Insurance at Cost.

The Insurance World of a recent date has this to say: The mutual fire insurance companies have secured a vast amount of the cream of the fire insurance business of the United States, and are constantly reaping out for more.

The mutuals, having no taxes or dividends to pay of any consequence, are enabled to keep their expenses at a minimum. Persons with good properties will find it greatly to their advantage to investigate the management of 'The Urban Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Bedford, Pa.' which is absolutely safe, and is giving its policyholders insurance at a less price than any other fire insurance company doing business in the country.

Come and see us, and verify our statement.

Ho! Teachers!

I am presenting a lot of money-saving opportunities for thrifty teachers in beautifying their homes.

It you can save \$5 on a bedroom set you want to do it, don't you?

Certainly—and that's right, too.

I can save you from \$1 to \$5 on any number of dainty and serviceable articles that go to make home beautiful and comfortable.

Look at these today:

Fancy rockers and chairs. Pretty onyx stands. Beautiful Morris chairs. Restful foot-stools. Attractive couches. Neat book-cases. Choice framed pictures. Useful writing-desks.

Get out that picture you laid away for framing. I'll make a frame just to your liking. It'll serve as a pretty and inexpensive Christmas present.

Watch my windows for hints on Institute and Christmas shopping.

FRED C. PATE,
Odd Fellow Building.
Bedford, Pa.

CHRISTMAS

SIMON'S CLOTHING STORE,
Simon Oppenheimer, Prop.

At Christmas play and make Good Cheer
For Christmas comes but once a year.

The old time story as told above will soon be with us, and parents, brothers and sisters, even our cousins and our aunts, are now perplexing their brains to secure something to give as a token of love and remembrance, and now, to aid you in this pleasant duty, allow us to call your attention to the many useful and beautiful things we have just received, fresh from the manufacturer's hand, and not shelf-soiled, nor out of date, but fresh and sparkling in their newness.

In Our Men's Suits and Overcoats, we have a line that

cannot be surpassed, either in the quality of the fabric, or in the cut and finish of the garment. Nothing cheap in the making up of same, save the price that we shall offer them to you.

THEN FOR THE CHILDREN, always look out for them, we have the dainty, tasty, snappy suits, that make them look like the Kate Greenaway creation, at a price that will surprise you when you examine the quality and texture of the same and the handsome way in which they are built.

CUFFS, COLLARS, NECKTIES, in all shapes and patterns, and in latest styles and finish. **UNDERWEAR** unsurpassed for comfort and durability, and in fact we have everything that a Christmas buyer can wish, or think of, and that too at such reasonable prices, that you will think we were almost giving goods away.

Come and see us, and verify our statement.

Men's and Boys' Shoes, Ranging in Price From

\$1 to \$3.50.

SIMON'S CLOTHING STORE,

Opposite Grand Central Hotel, BEDFORD, PA.

SIMON OPPENHEIMER, Proprietor.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the First National Bank of Bedford, Pa., for the election of directors to serve for the ensuing year, will be held in the Banking House, on Tuesday, January 18, 1905, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

E. S. DOTY,
Cashier.

On December 31, 1904, the

Prthonotary's Notice.

The following accounts have been filed in

the Prthonotary's Office, examined and

certified by him, for filing on the Court

on Wednesday, January 18, 1905: for confirmation:

First and final account of Josiah R. Dibert, trustee of the committee of Elizabeth Young, a lunatic.

The account of George W. Richer, Esq., assignee of Ross A. Sparks.

The account of Robert C. Smith, committee of John Miller, a lunatic.

E. H. BLACKBURN, Prthonotary.

On December 31, 1904, the

Election Notice.

The members of the Friend's Cove

Mutual Fire Insurance Company will

hold a special meeting on the 10th of January, at 10 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year.

S. T. DIBER, President.

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Prthonotary.

For Sale on Easy Terms.

My Basic Oak Bridge Home, 1½ acres,

good limestone land; good buildings,

5 springs of running water; 4

miles from R. R. Top coal regions

on or near the line between H. W. Cogan, Bel-

ford, Pa.

John Lutz, P. M.

Bedford, Pa., December 31, 1904.

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Advertiser.

The following letters have been held

in my office for a week.

C. A. Neale, Baltimore, and John H. Miller, Everett, have already shipped a car load of flour sent from Orlon and will ship the second car on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Oster who attended the meeting of the Friends' Cove

on December 31, 1904, left west report an elegant time and the largest meeting ever had. The Orange cause is becoming quite serious. Many wells have failed and the streams are nearly dried up.

John Swager, C. C. Higgins, Mrs. H. Chamberly, Mrs. A. F. Gerstel, Mrs. M. C. Fink.

John Lutz, P. M.

Bedford, Pa., December 31, 1904.

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